Development of fisheries in A.P.

4670. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Central funds provided to Andhra Pradesh under the Central Schemes of Development of Freshwater, Aquaculture and Integrated Coastal Aquaculture for the development of fisheries in the State, during the last three years, year-wise; and

(b) the results achieved during the said period in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) No Central funds were provided to Government of Andhra Pradesh during the last three years under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Development of Freshwater Aquaculture and Integrated Coastal Aquaculture, since the State Government has discontinued the operation of both these schemes with effect from 1.3.1997.

(b) Question does not arise.

Coconut Disease in Orissa

† 4671. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a new kind of worm has completely destroyed the -coconut crop in the coastal districts of Orissa.

(b) if so, whether Government have conducted any survey in this regard and whether any team of agricultural scientists has been sent to coastal districts of the State to control this disease; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government to control this disease and to compensate coconut growers, whose crops have been destroyed completely?

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.